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In re the Application of: Yasushi KANEKO et al.

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For: LIQUID CRYSTAL SHUTTER AND METHOD OF DRIVING THE SAME

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: April 1, 2001

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated November 30, 2001, for one month from February 28, 2002, to March 30, 2002 (March 30 2002 was a Saturday).

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the cost of the extension. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340. This paper is filed in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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